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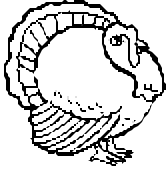
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for frozen 8-16 lb. hens was steady, instances firm on 8-10 lb. hens. Frozen toms 16-24 lb. mixed and ranged from steady to barely steady. Limited sales reported. Demand light to moderate. Bulk parts and meats trading light. Offerings range from adequate to ample.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand light. Trading slow and centered on frozen thigh meat and tom drums. Offerings adequate for current needs.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **SEPTEMBER 17, 2002**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	64-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	63-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	-	-	-	70.25	40	NOV	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-59	55.5	55.50	80	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	64-69	67	67.00	10	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	63-69	-	-	-	68.00	80	OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-60	58	58.00	7	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 17 SEPTEMBER 2002.

The undertone on tom drums and full-cut wings were mostly steady, tom necks and 2-joint wings were steady to barely steady. The undertone on hen necks was barely steady, about steady on the balance of items. Demand ranged light to fair. Bulk parts offerings ranged adequate to ample on necks, adequate on drums and full-cut wings, adequate to instances fully adequate on tom 2-joint wings, light on hen 2-joint wings. The undertone on 4-8 lb. breasts was mostly steady with some pondering the possible ramifications of the sluggish hen market on future 4-8 lb. breast supplies. Trading centered on a moderate volume of fresh mechanically separated turkey for domestic shipments, balance light. Frozen tom breast meat -6 months age traded at barely steady price levels. Fresh wing meat traded at 56 cents delivered domestic and young hen drums 17 cents shipping point for export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		M	96.50	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	90.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	21.00	2
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	19.00-21.00		20.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	18.50-19.00		18.70	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00		23.00	13
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	29.57	84
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	13.25-15.00		14.12	147
NECKS, HEN	12.50		12.50	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	139.00		139.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	185.00	8
THIGH MEAT	50.00		50.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	54.89	72
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	86.00	60
SCAPULA MEAT	78.00		78.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	116.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	141.00	13
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	46.00		46.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00-18.00		17.08	668
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	19.49	408
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	24.83	156
TAILS		M	19.00	368
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	49.00		49.00	52

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	64
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-71

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	85-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	84-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-105

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 18 SEPTEMBER 2002.**

The undertone on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins was about steady. Demand light to mostly fair for the adequate to instances fully adequate offerings. Some increased seller interest was noted to commit future fresh tom breast meat production. The fresh wing meat undertone was steady for the moderate demand. The undertone on scapula was fully steady for the limited supplies. The undertone on frozen wing meat was barely steady to weak. Demand was slow on frozen wing meat for the readily available offerings. The frozen tom breast meat undertone was steady to barely steady. Inquiry ranged light to instances fair for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. The frozen destrapped tenderloin undertone was steady. Demand light for the adequate offerings. Domestic and export trading light. Scapula (-10 months age) 72, plant grade non-basted 12-16 lb. breasts 100 cents delivered. Frozen breeder drums traded at 17 cents delivered export.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		M	96.50	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	91.00		91.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	21.00	2
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		T	20.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	18.70	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.00-23.00		21.71	140
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	30.00		30.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	14.00-16.00		15.20	100
NECKS, HEN		T	12.50	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	140.00		140.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	188.00-190.00		188.67	120
THIGH MEAT		T	50.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	54.89	72
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	86.00	60
SCAPULA MEAT	80.00		80.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	116.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	140.00		140.00	30
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	46.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00		17.00	40

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	20.00-22.00		20.94	264
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	15.00		15.00	260
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00-19.50		19.17	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	48.00-53.00		50.00	200

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#### BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 09/18/02

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	12,581	122,505	122,755
2001-2002	16,995	122,702	122,702